P-407/CP-91-844 ORDER CLOSING DOCKET

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In the Matter of Petitions   ISSUE DATE: March 18, 1992
Submitted by the City of
Alvarado for Extended Area   DOCKET NO. P-407/CP-91-844
Service between GTE's Alvarado
and Oslo Exchanges, and from the   ORDER CLOSING DOCKET
Oslo and Alvarado Exchanges to
GTE's Warren Exchange

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On October 28, 1991, subscribers in the Alvarado and Oslo
exchanges filed a petition for extended area service (EAS)
between Alvarado and Oslo and from Alvarado and Oslo to the
Warren exchange. All of the exchanges named in the petition
are served by GTE Minnesota.

On December 17, 1991, the Department of Public Service filed a
letter which it had sent to the petitioners. The letter stated
that the petitioners had failed to obtain the requisite number of
signatures on their petitions. The Department returned the
petitions to the sponsor and gave the sponsor until
January 24, 1992 to resubmit the petitions with sufficient
signatures.

The matter came before the Commission for consideration on
February 3, 1992. At that date, neither the Department nor the
Commission had received any further petitions from the petition
sponsor.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Minn. Rules, part 7815.0700 determines filing requirements for
EAS petitions. The rule states that the petition must be "signed
by 15 percent or more of the customers or 600 customers,
whichever is less, in the petitioning exchange."

The petition in question failed to contain the requisite number of signatures under the rule. The Commission will therefore close this docket. If the petition sponsor is able to obtain sufficient signatures in the future, the sponsor may submit a new petition or petitions to the Commission.

ORDER

1.   Docket No. P-407/CP-91-844 is closed.

2.   This Order shall become effective immediately.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Richard R. Lancaster
Executive Secretary

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